

**CITY OF LAREDO**  
**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**A-2023-sc-04**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**1110 HOUSTON STREET**  
**LAREDO, TEXAS 78040**  
**Wednesday, May 31, 2023**  
**11:00 A.M.**



**DISABILITY ACCESS STATEMENT**



Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services are requested to contact Jose A. Valdez Jr., City Secretary, at (956) 791-7308 at least two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The accessible entrance and accessible parking spaces are located at City Hall, 1100 Victoria Ave.

Out of consideration for all attendees of the City Council meetings, please turn off all cellular phones and pagers, or place on inaudible signal. Thank you for your consideration.

Pursuant to Section 30.06 Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter [H](#), Chapter [411](#), Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

Pursuant to Section 30.07 Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter [H](#), Chapter [411](#), Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

### **Citizen comments**

Citizens can participate through in-person and written comments submitted through an online form. Citizens wishing to provide in-person comments are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the City Secretary no later than 11:15 a.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Citizens wishing to submit a written public comment must submit here or visit

<https://www.cityoflaredo.com/council-agendas.html> by 5:00 p.m. the day before the Special Council Meeting. All comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

## **V. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES**

### **VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

**All of the following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Council Member.**

**CITY ATTORNEY: STAFF SOURCE DOANH T. NGUYEN, CITY ATTORNEY**

1. Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Laredo and the Laredo Firefighters Association, Local 872, with a three-year contract term from June 1, 2023, through October 1, 2025. This Agreement provides for wage increases and additional compensation for members of the bargaining unit as follows: effective June 1, 2023, an across-the-board three percent (3%) wage increase; effective October 1, 2023, an across-the-board three percent (3%) wage increase; effective October 1, 2024, an across-the-board two percent (2%) increase; effective October 1, 2025, an across-the-board one and a half percent (1.5%) increase. The City shall also contribute an additional one and a half percent (1.5%) of all Firefighter pay toward the Laredo Firefighters Retirement System as follows: effective June 1, 2023, an additional one-half percent (.5%) contribution; effective October 1, 2023, an additional one-half percent (.5%) contribution; effective October 1, 2024, an additional one-quarter percent (.25%) contribution; effective October 1, 2025, an additional one-quarter percent (.25%) contribution; for a total contribution by the City of twenty-two point six percent (22.6%). Other terms and conditions have been amended which will be contained within the Finalized Agreement. Funding is available in General Fund.

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES: STAFF SOURCE JOHN PORTER, DIRECTOR**

2. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a license agreement between the City of Laredo and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Department (CBP) for the construction, maintenance, and repair of a private roadway on properties owned by the City of Laredo located near the Rio Grande River. The license term is indefinite, subject to the availability of the City to revoke the license at any time upon 60-days' notice to CBP.

## **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

## **VII. STAFF REPORT**

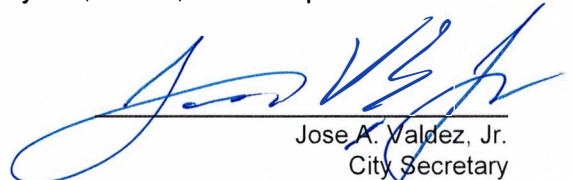
3. Presentation of the Plan of Finance by Noe Hinojosa of Estrada-Hinojosa & Company, Inc., as it relates to various proposed bond issuances, with possible action.

## **VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any posted agenda item when authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and/or 551.086 (Economic Development). Following closed session, the open meeting will reconvene at which time action, if any, may be taken.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Friday, May 26, 2023, at 3:30 p.m.



Jose A. Valdez, Jr.  
City Secretary

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